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In re Application of: James D. Ballew, et al.

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Title: *HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING SYSTEM AND METHOD*

**MAIL STOP AMENDMENT**

Commissioner of Patents  
PO Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the references listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified patent application.

The present application was filed after June 30, 2003. Therefore, under the July 11, 2003 waiver of 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(i) by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, copies of the U.S. Patent and U.S. Patent Application Publications listed in the attached PTO-1449 form are not enclosed. Copies of all other references are enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner.

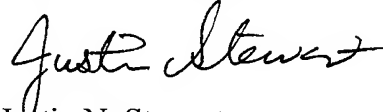
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), Applicants make no representation that these documents qualify as prior art or that these documents are material to patentability of the present application or that a search has been made.

**REMARKS**

The first Office Action has been received by Applicants in the above identified patent application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$180.00 IDS fee and to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0384 of Baker Botts L.L.P.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Justin Stewart", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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